

[27th January 1931]

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—"No such specific question was put to the District Magistrate."

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED :—"May I know whether they propose to do it in the future?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—"The suggestion will be considered."

Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN :—"May I know why when a definite interpellation is put, information was not called for?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—"Because the Government did not think it necessary."

Alleged beating by police of people on the maidan at Mangalore.

* 52 Q.—Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether those persons who had come to the maidan at Mangalore on the second day of lathi charges in June 1930 were pursued and beaten;

(b) whether the said place had been previously forbidden for public resort before the said lathi charges were ordered; if so, when;

(c) what is the usual number of people who frequent the maidan in the evenings; and

(d) (i) what was the number of people beaten on the said second day and what was the nature of their wounds;

(ii) how many of those beaten were civil disobedience volunteers and how many were passers-by or spectators or strangers?

A.—(a) to (d) The Government have no information.

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT :—"Will the Government call for the information?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—"The suggestion will be considered."

Diwan Bahadur R. N. AROGYASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—"May I know why the Government did not think it necessary to call for the information? The allegation was made as early as November."

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—"Government thought it not necessary to go into the details."

Alleged police excesses in Mangalore.

* 53 Q.—Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Superintendent of Police, South Kanara, promised the Chairman of the Mangalore Municipality that he would see that the police excesses would not be repeated;

(b) if the answer is in the affirmative, what was the assurance of the Superintendent of Police, South Kanara; and

(c) what action the Government propose to take on the police excesses in Mangalore?

A.—(a) & (b) The Government have no information.

(c) There were no police excesses in Mangalore.